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Testimony for AGR 3/23/2012 10:00:00 AM HCR208

Conference room: 312  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: No  
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Submitted on: 3/22/2012

**Comments:**

The MIS water levels have been as dangerously low. The agricultural sector has already been faced with 30% water restrictions which, according to recent analysis by the larger commercial users show the cost to the Molokai economy at close to 90 jobs. The current summer forecast could cause further job restrictions and loss. As agriculture is the main economic driver on Molokai this situation is critical. I strongly support this resolution.

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NOTICE OF HEARING DATE:

Friday, March 23, 2012

TIME: 10:00am

PLACE: Conference Room 312

State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

**In Support of HCR 208**

Aloha Rep Tsuji and Members of the Committee,

My name is Lynn DeCoite and I am in Support of HCR 208. Requesting that the Department of Agriculture address the dangerously low level of irrigation water supply and improve the agricultural economy.

Throughout the years of farming we have suffered cutbacks because of drought conditions. Many of our farms have suffered, when they suffer the economy also suffers. Cutbacks and lay off of jobs is just the beginning. We can no longer continue on the course we are going. With increased supply of water to meet realistic existing user demand we could provide a significant economic benefit to the island community.

Thank you for allowing me to submit testimony.

Mahalo,

Lynn DeCoite

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Submitted on: 3/22/2012

**Comments:**

I Support HCR 208 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ADDRESS THE DANGEROUSLY LOW LEVEL OF IRRIGATION WATER SUPPLY AND IMPROVE THE AGRICULTURAL ECONOMY.